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RESPONSE

The following remarks are made in response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2002 ("the Office Action"). Applicants submit that no extension-of-time, or related fee, is required for this Response to be entered and considered. However, please consider this a conditional petition for the proper extension, if one is required, and a conditional authorization to charge any related extension fees or other fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.

REMARKS

The undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for his time and courtesy extended during a telephonic interview with the undersigned attorney and Daniel A. Wilson on August 7, 2002. Independent claim 19 was discussed. Support for the seal configuration recited in claim 19 was provided, and it was discussed that no motivation existed to produce the seal recited in claim 19 based on U.S. Patent No. 3,725,953 to Johnson *et al.* ("Johnson"). Although agreement was not reached, the Examiner solicited Applicants' remarks for further consideration.

Status of the Claims

Claims 19-29 are pending. Claim 19 is the only independent claim under consideration. In light of the remarks presented herein, reconsideration and allowance of claims 19-29 is respectfully requested.